Fortuna 60 Soccer Club

25 years

ANNIVERSARY YEAR

1960-1985

1983 1st DIVISION LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Back Row : Kees Van Vliet, Pasci Monacella, Fred Hoogland, Eddy Te Wierik, Darryl Gibson, Andy De Haas.

Middle Row : Keith Bailey (Assist Coach), Robby De Vries, Dennis Brabbin (Coach) Boris Basic, Dennis McAuley (President).

Front Row : John Fletcher, Mark Orrell, Peter Diggle(Captain) Geoff Orrell,Robby Te Wierik.

L.V. FIRST DIVISION HONOURS.

1964	Lightning Premiership
1968	Six-A-Side Tournament
1971	Milk Board Trophy
1975	Lightning Premiership
1975	Six-A-Side Tournament
1983	League Champions
1984	Battle of Britain Cup

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations and gratitude to all past and present Senior and Junior, male and female members. You should feel justifiably proud of being part of an organisation that has survived twenty-five years. A truly magnificent achievement.

There has obviously been varying levels of commitment, each in its own way contributing to the life of our club.

Now well established, respected and successful we do not forget those who laid the foundations over the years, we owe them all a debt of gratitude.

As members have come and gone I'm sure they have all experienced and taken away with them the feeling of Fortuna's friendship,past and present can now renew and firm up those friendships.

To our present day, keep up the great work, the challenge is there for us to maintain our strength, improve our weakness, carrying Fortuna 60' successfully into the next twenty-five years.

Yours in Soccer,

Denis McAuley

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PRESIDENT.

L.V. RESERVE LEAGUE HONOURS.

1962	League Champions
1964	League Champions
1964	Shopwell Trophy
1966	League Champions
1966	Charity Bowl
1968	Shopwell Trophy
1969	Shopwell Trophy
1970	Harry Dougan Shield
1971	Milk Board Trophy
1973	Shopwell Trophy
1975	Charity Bowl
1982	Charity Bowl
1983	Shopwell Trophy
1984	League Champions

1964 RESERVE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS & CUP WINNERS.

Back Row : Jerry Heeley, Eric Heeley, Henny Hirs, John Te Wierik, Lou Te Wierik, Jos Kamphuis, Piet Aalbers, Jaap Sambeek.

Front Row : Jim McCafferty, Jan Romyn (Coach) John Spiero, George Cornelis.

JUNIORS

As a club born from out of the Junior ranks, Fortuna has always been aware of the importance of catering for the needs of the young.

It has consistantly throughout its 25 years fielded teams in the Junior Leagues, normally catering for 40 to 60 Junior players each year. Emphasis is placed on giving the "kids a game", rather than results. Results however, have been most rewarding with many League Championships, Cups and Shields. Many players over the years have represented Latrobe Valley in inter-league games. e.g 1984 5 players represented L.V.viz U11 - D. Davies; U13 - M. McAuley; U14 - N . Dunne, M. Davies, J. Reid.

One of the many highlights for the club was in 1968 when we fielded an U18 side in the Metropolitan League. We took on, and beat most of the leading teams in Melbourne. Honour was bestowed on the club when team members Benny Kamphuis and John De Vries were chosen to represent Victoria in an U18 match against Tasmania; which was a curtain raiser for an International match between Victoria and Manchester United. Another Junior to have represented Victoria was JOS ADRICHEM.

Due to the importance of the task, and the specific attention and skills required, the Juniors have their own Committee; and are autonomous in operation.

Over the years, the Juniors have provided the Senior team with many fine players. The 1983 Senior XI that won the League Championship included 6 former Fortuna Juniors. viz. Kees Van Vliet, Robby Te Wierik, Eddy Te Wierik, Robby De Vries Geoff Orrell & Andy De Haas.

Family involvement has always been strong in Fortuna. Some families (HIRS, TE WIERIK and KAMPHUIS) have now seen two generations pass through the Junior ranks. A feat that will no doubt increase in numbers in the future, and lead to a third generation in the coming years.

HOW IT ALL BEGAN :

1957 : Four Dutchmen, employees of the large Dutch Construction firm "WERKSPOOR" form a Junior Soccer Club. In recognition of the financial assistance received from their employer, they call the club "WERKSPOOR JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB."

Home ground was at Maryvale Reserve. Werkspoor, in fact, was the first team to play Soccer at the Reserve.

1958 : Club grows to two junior teams (U12 & U15) U15 side wins the Club's first trophies by taking out League Championship & Cup.

1959 : Club enters a Senior team in the L.V. Reserve League and promptly wins the Championship. U15 win cup.

The Construction firm WERKSPOOR leaves area. Financial assistance received from Dutch Social Club to keep Club going.

CLUB'S FOUNDERS & INAUGURAL 1957 COMMITTEE.

J. STOOP SECRETARY | J. HIRS TREASURER | J. NYENHUIS PRESIDENT | P. VAN ELDEN COACH

THE FORTUNA STORY

1960 : We decide to become an autonomous club and adopt the new name of "FORTUNA 60 SOCCER CLUB ". We apply, and are accepted into the L.V. Soccer League 1st. Division. Inaugural Committee consists of :- PRESIDENT - TONY ROSMALEN, VIC PRES - JOOP VAN DEN HOORN, SECRETARY - GERRARD LANDKROON/ HANS ZOMER, TREASURER - THEO TE WIERIK.

1961 : We move to Jeeralang Road Reserve after the previous Club "MELITA" disbands.

1962 : Team entered into L.V. Reserve League, and wins Championship in its first year.

1964 : Senior XI win their first trophy by winning Lightning Premiership. Highlight of the day was when Bill Heeremans saved 3 penalties in Semi-final against Pegasus to qualify us for the final.

Reserves take out Championship and Cup Double.

1966 : Reserves score over 100 league goals to win another Championship.

1967 : Unable to obtain a long term lease on Jeeralang Road Reserve, we move back to Maryvale Reserve.

1971 : A permanent home ground at last ! Morwell East Football Club vacates Crinigan Road Reserve and Shire allocates ground to us.

1975 : An Ex-Yallourn house is transported to the ground and converted by members into Clubrooms and Changing rooms allowing us to enjoy facilities now taken for granted.

1983 : The Senior XI, always a strong apponent, finally win their first League Championship.

1984 : Senior XI win their first Battle of Britain Cup. Reserves finish off the 25 years by once again scoring over a 100 league goals to win another Championship.

CLUB LEADERSHIP.

	PRESIDENT	COACH
1960	Tony Rosmalen	Kees Van Der Zalm
61	Anton Zomer	" " " "
62	Alex Van Den Heuvel	Bill Heeremans
		John Verdaas
63	" " " "	Bill Heeremans
64	" " " "	Jan Romyn
65	" " " "	John Verdaas
66	Alistair Dyer	" "
67	" "	Wally Dean
68	Alex Van Den Heuvel	Joe Rusc
		George Hilton
69	Jerry Heeley	" "
1970	" "	Jim Orrell
71	" "	Vic Farrugia
72	" "	Bill Heeremans
73	" "	Hank Van Tilberg
74	" "	Wally Dean
75	Wally Dean	Jim Orrell
76	" "	" "
77	Robbie Glover	Les Prince
		Bill Heeremans
78	Les Prince	Keith Bailey
79	John Hirs	Bill Schouten
1980	" "	" "
81	George Cornelis	Peter Romyn
82	" "	" "
83	Denis McAuley	Dennis Brabbin
84	" "	" "
85	" "	Paul Thompson

LIFE MEMBERS.

George Kamphuis	Jerry Heeley
J H Te Wierik (Snr)	Henny Hirs
Bill Heeremans (Snr)	John Hirs